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SUBJECT: FIR AEGEAN "INFORMAL" TALKS POSTPONED

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1. THE GREEK PRESS TODAY (JULY 28) CARRIES REPORTS FROM ANKARA THAT THE GREEK-TURKISH FIR TALKS EXPECTED TO BEGIN YESTERDAY IN PARIS HAVE BEEN POSTPONED AT THE REQUEST OF THE GREEKS BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OF THE LEADER OF THE GREEK DELEGATION.

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2. AN MFA OFFICIAL INFORMS US THAT AMBASSADOR

CARAYANNIS, THE HEAD OF THE GREEK DELEGATION, HAS
INDEED RECENTLY TAKEN ILL AND, AS A CONSEQUENCE,
IS NOT NOW ABLE TO TRAVEL. THE GREEKS HAD NOTIFIED
THE TURKS OF CARAYANNIS ILLNESS, NOTING, THEREFORE,
IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE TO CONVENE A NEW ROUND OF
"INFORMAL" FIR TALKS IN JULY. WITHOUT CONSULTING
THE GREEK SIDE, THE TURKS HAD THEN
RELEASED THIS INFORMATION, THE GREEKS BELIEVE TO
PORTRAY THE GREEKS IN A BAD LIGHT DURING THE CURRENT
TENSE PERIOD IN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS
CAUSED BY THE SAILING OF THE TURKISH SEISMOGRAPHIC
VESSEL SISMİK I. IN THE SAME BREATH, HOWEVER, THE
MFA OFFICIAL ACKNOWLEDGED THAT GIVEN THE ACTIVITIES
OF THE SISMİK I, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT TO
RECONVENE THE "INFORMAL" FIR TALKS AT THIS TIME EVEN
IF AMBASSADOR CARAYANNIS WERE PHYSICALLY WELL.
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